

WATS REPORT: June 29, 1964

unofficial report

Nancy Stearns

Jackson: 1:15 report from Hattiesburg (Terry Shaw)

Two cars belonging to white SNCC volunteers were shot at last night while parked outside the SNCC office. Three local citizens who witnessed the shooting said the shots were fired from a 1963 red pickup truck carrying four white men, two in front, and two in back carrying shot guns. Local police are investigating the shooting. They were informed about it at 9:20am this morning. The cars belonged to John Catalin, 22, son of Rev. J.A. Catalin, 1270 Prospect Place, Cinn., Ohio; and Barry Clemson, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Davis S. Clemson, of 238 Farris Drive, State College, Pa. Both spent last night in Hattiesburg en route to Pascagoula where they will be voter registration workers.

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Enfield, North Carolina: J.V. Henry

In the ~~second~~ second primary last Saturday the segregationist candidate, Att. Dan Moore, was elected as Democratic nominee for Governor. ~~He was elected~~ by a landslide. In Halifax county the secretary of the county Citizens Council, Julian Allsbrook, was elected as Democratic Nominee for the State Senate. ~~He was elected~~ Bob Scott one the Lt. Gov. position- he is supposed to be a fairly good man.

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Washington, D.C.: Monsonis

Rita Schwerner and Rep. Ogden Reid, N.Y. had a meeting with President Johnson this afternoon. Rita planned on asking the President: 1. to convene the Federal Grand Jury to investigate the disappearance, 2. to supplement the present search party by 5000 men. If the search party is not augmented Rita was planning on asking for a couple of thousand volunteers to come down and help the search. Monsonis was planning on calling a press conference for Rita and Bob Zellner who accompanied her to the White House, but didn't see the President.

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Columbus

Columbus, Mississippi

6:45 pm six car loads of whites drove into the front yard of the Columbus Freedom house. The police were called and did come to the scene of the incident, and began to arrest some of the whites who were in the cars, however one of the cars had a Texas license plate number TY 1933. Most of the other cars fled the scene when the police arrived. The Texas car was stopped, two of the people in the car got out and began to curse at the workers. Willie Blue a worker in the Columbus office asked that FBI men be contacted immediately because he expected more trouble.

Jackson from bill light

Ron Carver

Hattiesburg, Mississippi -

Pete Stoner arrested Pete Stoner twenty five from Berlin, Penna., a white SNCC field sec., was picked up by the police at 3 p.m. and taken to the Forest County jail in Hattiesburg. The arrest was by constable Humphrey of the 4th beat. Stoner was not informed of the charges, reckless driving and failure to signal, until he reached the jail. There is no definite trial date yet. Property bond will be \$100. But Sheriff Bud Grey claims Stoner cannot be released between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. It is rumored that he is in jail with hostile whites. Stoner will be arraigned in the morning (June 30th) before Judge Hopstein.